



Benny's Bulletin



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OPS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL/PTA (PTO) DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIPS

Please refer to the email that was sent out by Ms. Wilkinson on 01/20 for more information. There are 3 elementary scholarships with a due date of 03/18.

Application Due:

Thursday, February 25, 2021

*Return completed application to Ms. Wilkinson in the Counseling Office.

OPS MIDDLE SCHOOL/PTA DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIPS

Please refer to the email that was sent out by Ms. Wilkinson on 01/20 for more information. There are 3 middle school scholarships with different due dates & special instructions.

Application Due:

Thursday, February 25, 2021

*Return completed application to Ms. Wilkinson in the Counseling Office.

METRO COMMUNITY COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

- Apply to [MCC](#) online
- Go to [MCC Scholarships](#)
- Click on "Apply Now" at the bottom of the page

Application closes:

Monday, March 1, 2021

ORDER DEADLINE FOR GRADUATION CAP & GOWN

FEBRUARY 15, 2021



OPTIONS FOR ORDERING:

1. Order directly at the store:
SCHOOL TRADITIONS
12100 W Center Rd #901
HOURS: Wednesdays—10 am-5:30 pm & Saturdays—10 am to noon

- 2) Order online @ [Jostens](#)

- Cash, check, credit/debit cards are all acceptable forms of payment.
- \$63.17—cap, gown, & a 2021 tassel
- Indicate height & weight for cap & gown.
- Jostens Customer Service (800) 567-8367

Any further questions regarding cap & gown purchase or information related to graduation, please contact Assistant Principal Julie Johnson at (531) 299-7701 or email at julie.johnson@ops.org

GOODRICH SCHOLARSHIP

Tuition & general fees—renewable

To be eligible for this scholarship, the student must:

- Be a US citizen or legal non-citizen of the US who resides in Nebraska
- Be in need of financial assistance
- Apply to the [University of Nebraska-Omaha](#)
- Apply for the [Goodrich Scholarship](#)

Application closes:

**Monday, March 1, 2021
@ 5:00 p.m.**

See Mr. Perez for more information

NORRIS MIDDLE SCHOOL REDBIRD SCHOLARSHIP

Requirements:

- Attended Norris MS for a minimum of 1 full year
 - Cumulative GPA of at least a 2.5
- For scholarship application, refer to the email sent on 02/03 from Ms. Wilkinson.

Application Due:

Friday, March 5, 2021

*Return completed application to Norris Middle School.

SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

For scholarship application, refer to the email sent on 02/03 from Ms. Wilkinson.

Application Due:

Thursday, March 18, 2021

*Return completed application to Ms. Wilkinson.

SAVE THE DATE

OMAHA SOUTH HIGH MAGNET SCHOOL GRADUATION

Friday, May 28th—Baxter Arena

Practice @ 1 p.m.
Graduation @ 7 p.m.



OMAHA EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (OEA) SCHOLARSHIP

Please refer to the email that was sent out by Ms. Wilkinson on 01/29 for more information. There are 3 special scholarships. See below:

- Jean Christiansen Memorial Scholarship due to Ms. Wilkinson by 03/05
- Roland & Janet Hinrichs Vocal Music Scholarship due to Mrs. Noble by 03/05
- James Eisenhardt Theatre & Film Scholarship due to Mrs. Noble by 03/05

Application Due:

Thursday, March 18, 2021

Benny's Bulletin comes to you from the School Counseling Office at Omaha South High Magnet School

Counselors: Mrs. Gregor (Director; Letters N, V, X), Mrs. Branson (D, L, W), Mr. Carlson (I, R), Ms. Lagana (G, K, Z), Mrs. Ludacka (M), Mr. Perez (C, E, Q), Mr. Pla (B, H, U), Mr. Sagert (J, S, Y), Mrs. Vidal (A, T), & Ms. Wilkinson (F, O, P); **School Social Workers:** Ms. Greenberg & Ms. Pena; **Bilingual Liaison:** Ms. Hill; **Counseling Secretary:** Mrs. Villafuerte; **Counseling Para:** Mrs. Kues; **Counseling Office Phone:** (531) 299-7665

AFTER SCHOOL VIRTUAL TUTORING

Need extra help with English, Math, Science, Social Studies, Spanish, or Scholarships?

Teachers are available online through the Microsoft Teams app to help you out! Log into the Tutoring Team to see the schedule.

When: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays, 3:05-6:00 p.m.

APPLY2COLLEGE

Want to earn a \$10 gift card to a local business?

Step 1: Apply to any college & submit your application

Step 2: Add college to Naviance & request for transcript to be sent via Naviance

Step 3: Complete your FAFSA/CFE & screenshot first page

Contact Mrs. Vidal with any questions
rachelle.vidal@ops.org

Need extra help with college applications, scholarships, FAFSA, transcripts, or future plans?

SENIOR SUCCESS VIRTUAL HELP

Assistance will be available on the following dates:

Wednesdays (3:30-6:00 p.m.)
02/03, 02/10, 02/17, & 02/24
Saturdays (9:00 a.m.-noon)
02/06, 02/13, 02/20, & 02/27

Assistance provided through South Senior Success on TEAMS



ACT TEST DATES

Test Date:	Register By:
04/17/2021	03/12/2021
06/12/2021	05/07/2021
07/17/2021	06/18/2021

VIRTUAL CREDIT RECOVERY

When: 3:15-5:15 p.m. on Tuesdays & Thursdays

Where: Through Omaha South HS
OR

When: 5:30-7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays & Wednesdays

Where: Adult High School through TAC

Seniors must sign up with their assigned counselor!

EDUCATIONQUEST

The [EducationQuest](#) website offers a lot of valuable information for seniors & planning for college. To schedule an appointment at the EducationQuest office, call (402)391-4033. The Omaha office is located at 11031 Elm St.

FAFSA

If additional help is needed to fill out your FAFSA, call the EducationQuest office to schedule an appointment.

SCHOLARSHIPS

A list of current scholarships will be emailed to you each month. This list will be posted outside the Counseling Office. It is also available on the South High webpage. Be sure to check your email **OFTEN** for new scholarships.

College/University Based Scholarships are offered by colleges/universities which are only good at their institution. Search the college/university website for more information & complete their scholarship application.

The [OPS Scholarship Handbook](#) can be accessed online by clicking on this link. In addition to this handbook, there are many scholarships available on the following websites: [scholarshipquest.org](#) OR [studentscholarships.org](#).

ASKING FOR A LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

- ◆ **ASK** a teacher, counselor, community member, employer, etc. **WHO KNOWS YOU WELL!** (No family members or peers!)
- ◆ Give at least **2 WEEKS** notice to the person you're asking to prepare your letter of recommendation.
- ◆ Request your letter of recommendation **IN PERSON**.
- ◆ In addition to telling your recommender your deadlines & logistics, given them thoughtful reflections of your values, goals & accomplishments. Provide a copy of your resume, too.
- ◆ Be sure to **THANK** your recommender for writing a letter of recommendation for you.

IMPORTANT !! IMPORTANT !! IMPORTANT !!

Parents & Seniors: Please complete the attached [Release of Information form](#) as soon as possible. Transcripts, college information, and scholarships **CANNOT** be sent until this release is signed and returned. If you can't access the link, please contact your counselor.

JOB CORPS

FREE Technical College and Education for young men and women ages 16-24

See Mr. Carlson in the Counseling Office for more information.

WIOA YOUTH PROGRAM

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity ACT

Program for young adults aged 14-24 with career goals focusing on education & employment.

Contact Information:

[Heartland Workforce Solutions](#)
Email—Youth.Desi@hws-ne.org
Phone—(531) 600-5860

See Mr. Sagert in the Counseling Office for more information & to see if you qualify for this program.

MILITARY

Visit these websites for more information:

- [Nebraska Army National Guard](#)
- [United States Air Force](#)
- [United States Army](#)
- [United States Coast Guard](#)
- [United States Marine Corps](#)
- [United States Navy](#)

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